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SUBJECT: VISIT OF ASTRONAUT COL. IRWIN TO KUWAIT: GM MOTORAMA

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1. NO, RPT NO, WORLD BAPTIST FEDERATION MEETING SCHEDULED FOR KUWAIT, JANUARY 7-9 OR OTHER DATES AS NOTED IN USIA 26606. ACCORDING ADVANCEMAN RITTENHOUSE WHO TALKED AT LENGTH WITH PAO, IRWIN VISIT IS GOOD WILL TRIP TO AREA. FOR SPECIFICS SEE KUWAIT REFTELS.

2. RE POSSIBLE PARTICIPATION IN GM SHOW, RITTENHOUSE TOLD PAO THAT SINCE IRWIN AND PARTY WILL BE GUESTS OF KUWAIT, IT WOULD PROBABLY BE INAPPROPRIATE FOR HIM TO BE CONNECTED WITH MOTORAMA. HE ADDED THAT HE HAD MADE NO MENTION OF THIS ASPECT IN TALKING WITH AMIR'S OFFICE, WHICH IS TAKING RESPONSIBILITY FOR HIS PROGRAM. HE SAID HE WOULD, HOWEVER, DISCUSS WITH IRWIN AFTER RETURN TO U.S. WE AGREE WITH THIS THINKING.

3. RITTENHOUSE SOUGHT OUT POST, WHICH GAVE HIM NAMES OF PERSONS FOR HIM TO CONTACT. DURING HIS MEETING WITH DIRECTOR OF AMIR'S OFFICE, IRWIN WAS INVITED BE GUEST OF KUWAIT AND RITTENHOUSE ACCEPTED IMMEDIATELY.

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